

## DACC Board Meeting Minutes

29-Jan-20		7:31 a.m.	DACC Conference Room A			
Meeting called by	Chairman, Mark Wills/ Kerry Bridges					
Type of meeting	Board Meeting					
Facilitator	Chairman, Mark Wills					
Note taker	Anita Patel					
Adjourned	9:34 AM					
Board Attendance	Mark Wills	Y	Rick Evans	Y	Phil Gaffney	Y
	Hugh Hollar	Y	Jean Garniewicz	Y	Stan Shepherd	N
	Ron Thigpen	N	Kerry Bridges	Y	Christina Purkapile	Y
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Taylor Edwards, Anita Patel, Chris Driver, Mark Hodges, Vic Mills, Blake Smith					

## Meeting Agenda

<1 minute(s)	Chairman, Mark Wills				
Discussion	Mark Wills called the meeting to order. The agenda of the January 29, 2020 meeting was approved with amendments.				
Conclusions	Robbie Bennett asked that the minutes be edited to remove "December 2019" under Financial Reports. Jean Garniewicz made a motion to accept the January 20, 2020 meeting agenda and the December 18, 2019 meeting minutes barring the amendment simultaneously. Second: Hugh Hollar. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)				
Action Items	Person Responsible		Deadline		
N/A	N/A		N/A		

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

<1 minute(s)	Chairman, Mark Wills				
Discussion	The minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting were approved.				
Conclusions	See the previous section.				
Action Items	Person Responsible		Deadline		
Correct November 20, 2019 minutes	Anita Patel		N/A		

## DACC Financial Report

1 minute(s)	Rick Evans, Robbie Bennett				
Discussion	Rick Evans shared that the June 2019 Financials will be presented once DACC and the County have a change to review the reports.				
Conclusions	None				
Action Items	Person Responsible		Deadline		
None	N/A		N/A		

**Chairman's Report**

1 minute(s)	Mark Wills		
Discussion	Mark Wills thanked the Board and guests for their attendance and shared that all topic would be covered in the Committee reports and Economic Development update/ Old & New Business updates		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	

**DACC Committee Reports**

6 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett, Taylor Edwards, Phil Gaffney		
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett shared that the Property Committee met on January 10, 2020 and discussed White Oak Business Park and development opportunities for the park in regards to grading and site preparation. The Property Committee agreed to us costs saving for related to road development to offset the cost of the grading plans.</p> <p>Taylor Edwards shared that the Existing Business and Workforce Development committee met on January 10, 2020. Updates on Existing Business projects include: TAD trip to Atlanta, White Paper on TAD, 2019 annual report for DCA, Existing Industry "Up" video, Garner Economic study - 4 focus groups, Events currently being planned - CTAE competition, Apprenticeship event, Veterans Tour.</p>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	

**Economic Development Update**

7 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett, Taylor Edwards		
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett shared that there are several conferences in the upcoming weeks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RSA cyber conference in February. Doug Burke from Security Onion is speaking at the conference.</li> <li>- Site Selectors Guild International</li> <li>- Taylor will attend HIMMS in Florida</li> <li>- Film production is going strong in the area and a joint Fam Tour is planned for the first full weekend of March. 20 location managers will be attending this and touring Columbia County.</li> </ul>		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	

Old Business		
2 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett	
Discussion	<p>Robbie presented new DACC Executive Committee nominations : Chair - Kerry Bridges, Vice-Chair - Christina Purkapile, Secretary - Mark Wills, Treasurer - Rick Evans.</p> <p>Motion was made to accept these nominations. Phil Gaffney and the Board thanked Mark Wills for his time and service as DACC Board Chair.</p>	
Conclusions	Motion to accept new Executive committee nominations. Motion: Hugh Hollar. Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
New Business		
16 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett	
Discussion	<p>Robbie Bennett discussed the destination retail incentive application received from a prospective new business called "Stay," and asked the Board for their recommendation on the grant amount. Mark Wills shared that the goal of this incentive is to bring unique concepts to the quality of life piece in Colombia County. Discussion and questions on the concept, financing, claw back clauses etc. after which a motion was made to approve this application.</p> <p>A discussion was held over the names that the DACC staff had chosen for the White Oak Business Park and a motion was made to accept the names Alliance Drive, Collaboration Drive and Discovery Drive.</p>	
Conclusions	<p>1) Motion to accept the proposed business application for retail incentive in the amount of a \$62,075 grant. Motion: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Mark Wills. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)</p> <p>2) Motion to accept the proposed road names, Alliance Drive, Collaboration Drive and Discovery Drive, for the White Oak Business Park. Motion: Mark Wills. Second: Rick Evans. Motion carries unanimously (7-0).</p>	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Calendar of Events		
0 minute(s)	None	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Public Comments		
1 minute(s)	Mark Hodges, Vic Mills and Blake Smith	
Discussion	Mark Hodges shared that the Gateway park is almost complete and the views on social media have surpassed 1000. The company is busy with "bid season" and is bidding a number of projects currently.	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A

Closed Session		
85 minute(s)	Chris Driver	
Discussion	<p>Motion to enter closed session: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Mark Wills. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)</p> <p>Motion to exit closed session: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Hugh Hollar. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)</p> <p>Attorney Chris Driver shared that the Board of Directors discussed 2 property matters and 1 property/legal matter. No action was taken in closed session, but action will be taken on 2 property matters and 1 property/legal matter in open session.</p>	
Conclusions	<p>In open session:</p> <p>1) Motion 1 - To approve the requested bond term of a 20 year tax abatement bond, as indicated in the application and developed by Southeastern Real Estate Group or related company, and incentives are non-transferrable. Final Bond resolution must be approved by Development Board of Directors. Motion: Christina Purkapile. Second: Phil Gaffney. Motion carries unanimously (5-0). Abstained from vote: Mark Wills, Hugh Hollar.</p> <p>2) Motion 2 – Motion to defer approval, as related to power line easement for Georgia Power along Horizon South Parkway affecting 759 Horizon South Parkway, to the Development Authority of Columbia County's Executive Committee. Motion: Mark Wills. Second: Hugh Hollar. Motion carries unanimously (6-0). Abstained from vote: Kerry Bridges.</p> <p>3) Motion 3 - Motion to transfer 25 +/- acres of property to Club Car with related documents to be executed by DACC Chairman. Motion: Hugh Hollar. Second: Mark Wills. Motion carries unanimously (7-0).</p>	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Adjournment		
Conclusions	There was a motion to adjourn the December 18, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion: Jean Garniewicz. Second: Rick Evans. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)	
Next meeting: February 26, 2020	DACC Conference Room	All